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| In re: | Patent Application of Hugh S. Munro <i>et al.</i> | : Attorney Docket No.: 101713-5026 |
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| Appln. No.: | 10/538,427 | : Examiner: Brandon Jackson |
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| Filed: | April 4, 2006 | : Confirmation No.: 3197 |
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| For: | ABSORBENT MULTILAYER HYDROGEL WOUND DRESSINGS | : Group Art Unit: 3772 |
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114
AMENDMENTS AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Madam:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 18, 2008, and respectfully requests the amendments and remarks be made of record in the above-identified patent application. A Notice of Appeal was filed on September 16, 2008 with the Appeal Brief due on November 16, 2008. The Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and this Amendment and Response is filed with a Petition for Five-Month Extension of Time and related fees.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.